Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Has any other Headmaster reported like this?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—In the course of the Headmasters' Conference many of them complained.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Have the Government accepted as a principle that it should be discontinued ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Wherever it is not possible, it is being discontinued.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—How is it that it cannot be practicable in certain places and practicable in some other places?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—The whole thing is optional. Those who can do it may do it. When there are candidates who wish to answer their papers in the vernacular, dual question papers are supplied.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will it be discontinued in a few years at least?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Yes.

Improvements to the Panangayi lane in Kunnamkulam.

8. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform with reference to question No. 16 dated 22nd January 1934 whether the work will be finished before the end of this year; and if not, what is the reason for not completing it within the time referred to?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Every effort will be made to complete the work this year.

Land given to the members of the Depressed Classes—extent of.

9. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total extent of land given to members of the depressed classes in the State ever since the inauguration of the department for the depressed classes;

(b) the amount of the revenue of such lands?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(a) 203—21½ acres.

(b) Rs. 357—9—4.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—May I know the extent of land given to each individual?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Five cents or somewhere there. That will mostly depend upon the extent of acreage available out of the survey number that is available. It will also depend upon the number of members in a family. Generally it ranges from 4 to 10 cents. That is what has been found from experience.

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